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MINUTES

Meeting of the Council of Academic Deans August 15, 1989

Dr. Robert V. Haynes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present included Drs. Ward Hellstrom, J. Michael Brown, Ronnie N. Sutton, J. T. Sandefur, and Elmer Gray. Drs. Charles E. Kupchella and Michael Binder were represented by Dr. Martin Houston and Mr. Reginald Laswell, respectively.

The minutes of the August 8, 1989, meeting were accepted without comment.

Dr. Haynes presented the Agenda and made an announcement concerning the Governors's Scholars Program. Although not confirmed, the program is expected to be held at Western, beginning June 11 and continuing through July 22, 1990. The Program will utilize all of Florence Schneider, 25 classrooms in Cherry Hall, and a large number of residence hall rooms. There was discussion of the benefits and costs involved in sponsoring the Governors's Scholars Program.

Dr. Sutton has sent a letter to deans and department heads encouraging discussion and recommendations on moving the January, 1990, registration from Diddle Arena to Garrett Conference Center.

The deadline for submission of requests for instructional equipment was delayed a week, permitting discussion of requests at the next CAD meeting.

The proposed policy for Doctoral Faculty Development was discussed extensively. Although a general policy is desirable, the diversity in potential applicants and conditions favor a more ad hoc approach. Dr. Haynes requested that the proposal be simplified. Support of doctoral study would be at the discretion of the university and would require specified faculty obligations.

Elmer Gray presented a questionnaire for collecting demographic data on Extended Campus students and for assessing adequacy of Extended Campus instructional settings and support services. The questionnaire and its intended use were approved. After considerable discussion, the matter of part-time instructor evaluation was added to the agenda for future discussion.

Mike Dale joined the group for discussion of schedule conflicts during new faculty orientation. Effort will be made to coordinate these activities through a common calendar.

Other topics of discussion included a faculty honors program, fee payment and refund system, academic planning and fall registration.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elmer Gray, Dean Graduate College